

New York, July 27/46.

Dear Brother Phelps,
Washington,

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Yesterday I rec'd yours of the 26th.

Some time ago I wrote to Dr Bailey to know if he would go to Washington, with his paper. He wrote that he thought well of the project, but did not see as he could undertake it. He has aged parents &c. to provide for. If S. P. Chase would undertake it we could have a strong paper. Could he not do more good than he is now doing? Dr Bailey is not considered by all a thorough going Liberty party man.

I think you had best run over to Cincinnati & confer with Bailey & Chase.

I fully agree with you that we ought to have a paper at Washington immediately - a strong paper - the energy of Luther and the mildness of McLanahan united if possible.

Is there any probability that the Free American's list can be purchased? I should think not. Let us not try to break up that establishment. Remember what you told me about Theo. Parker's anti Slaveryism. If certain were not made instrumental in diffusing some truth it would not much their admirers.

Dont injure your health by exposures or over-work or hard travelling.

Yours affectionately,

Ellis Tappan

If you go to C. and want money ask S. P. Chase there to negotiate a draft on me at one day's sight.

I saw advertised - I think in a Washington paper - a pamphlet or book entitled Slavery as retarded Emancipation by a Carolinian, or some such name. I should like a copy of it.

L. Tappan,
New York, July 22/46.